

Board of Governors

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Monitoring and Verification in the Islamic Republic of Iran in relation to the extension of the Joint Plan of Action

1. On 24 July 2014, the Director General received a letter from China, France, Germany, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom and the United States of America (the E3/EU+3) and the Islamic Republic of Iran (Iran) informing the Agency of the extension of the Joint Plan of Action (JPA)¹ until 24 November 2014 and requesting it to *“continue to undertake the necessary nuclear related monitoring and verification activities in Iran under the Joint Plan of Action, including monitoring of fuel fabrication for the TRR, and down-blending of its uranium hexafluoride enriched up to 2%.”* (see Annex).
2. In light of the above, and based on the endorsement by the Board of Governors, at its meeting on 24 January 2014, of the Agency undertaking monitoring and verification in relation to the nuclear-related measures set out in the JPA, the Agency will continue to implement such monitoring and verification, as extended.
3. Continuation of the monitoring and verification activities will require additional financial resources for the Agency. The Secretariat estimates that the continuation of such activities until 24 November 2014 would require an amount of approximately 2.3 million euros.
4. An estimated amount of 1.3 million euros remains available from the resources allocated for the Agency’s activities during the initial six months of the JPA². Assuming that all contributing Member States agree to the continued use of their unspent contributions, an additional amount of 1 million euros would be required. Therefore, the Director General invites Member States which are in a position to do so to make the necessary funding available for the extension period.
5. The Director General will keep the Board of Governors informed on this matter, including through the provision of monthly updates on the Agency’s monitoring and verification in relation to the nuclear-related measures set out in the JPA, as extended.

¹ GOV/2014/2, 17 January 2014.

² The expenditures incurred by the Agency in support of the activities in relation to the JPA will be reported in due course.

Vienna, 23 July 2014

H.E. Mr Yukiya Amano
Director General,
International Atomic Energy Agency

Dear Director General,

We have the honour to refer to the attached Joint Press Statement by EU High Representative Catherine Ashton and Iranian Foreign Minister Mohamed Javad Zarif released on 19 July 2014 in Vienna in connection with the extension of the Joint Plan of Action until 24 November 2014.

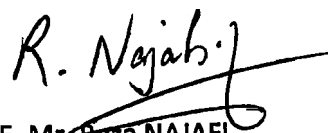
We, the undersigned on behalf of the E3/EU+3 and Iran hereby request that the IAEA continue to undertake the necessary nuclear related monitoring and verification activities in Iran under the Joint Plan of Action, including monitoring of fuel fabrication for the TRR, and down-blending of its uranium hexafluoride enriched up to 2%.

Yours sincerely,



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Joint Press Statement
by EU High Representative Catherine Ashton and
Iranian Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif
Vienna, 19 July 2014

The High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, Catherine Ashton, and the Foreign Minister of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Mohammad Javad Zarif, made today the following statement:

"We, together with the Political Directors of the E3+3 (China, France, Germany, Russia, the United Kingdom and the United States), have worked intensively towards a Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, building on the political momentum created by the adoption and smooth implementation by both sides of the Joint Plan of Action agreed on 24 November 2013. We are grateful to the Austrian government and the United Nations for their tremendous support in hosting these negotiations in Vienna.

We have held numerous meetings in different formats, and in a constructive atmosphere, to reach a mutually agreed long-term comprehensive solution that would ensure Iran's nuclear programme will be exclusively peaceful.

During the past few weeks, we have further intensified our efforts, including through the active involvement of E3+3 Foreign Ministers or their Vice Ministers, who came to Vienna on 13 July 2014 to take stock of progress in the talks. While we have made tangible progress on some of the issues and have worked together on a text for a Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, there are still significant gaps on some core issues which will require more time and effort.

We, together with the Foreign Ministers of the E3+3, have therefore decided to extend the implementation of measures of the Joint Plan of Action until 24 November 2014, in line with the timeframe that we envisaged in the Joint Plan of Action. Iran and the E3/EU+3 reaffirm that they will continue to implement all their commitments described in the Joint Plan of Action in an efficient and timely manner.

We will reconvene in the coming weeks in different formats with the clear determination to reach agreement on a Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action at the earliest possible moment."